

SENATE AMENDMENTS

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By: Farias

H.B. No. 195

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the availability on the Internet of reports of
3 political expenditures and contributions filed in connection with
4 certain county and municipal offices.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

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7 is amended to read as follows:

8 Sec. 254.0401. AVAILABILITY OF [~~ELECTRONIC~~] REPORTS ON
9 INTERNET.

10 SECTION 2. Section 254.0401, Election Code, is amended by
11 adding Subsections (a-1) and (c) and amending Subsection (f) to
12 read as follows:

13 (a-1) The county clerk of a county with a population of
14 800,000 or more shall make a report filed with the clerk by a
15 candidate, officeholder, or specific-purpose committee under this
16 subchapter in connection with a county office or the office of
17 county commissioner available to the public on the county's
18 Internet website not later than the second business day after the
19 date the report is received.

20 (c) The clerk of a municipality with a population of 500,000
21 or more shall make a report filed with the clerk by a candidate,
22 officeholder, or specific-purpose committee under this subchapter
23 in connection with the office of mayor or member of the
24 municipality's governing body available to the public on the

1 municipality's Internet website not later than the second business
2 day after the date the report is received.

3 (f) The commission shall clearly state on the Internet
4 website on which reports are provided [~~under Subsection (b)~~] that
5 reports filed by an independent candidate, a third-party candidate,
6 or a specific-purpose committee for supporting or opposing an
7 independent or third-party candidate will not be available if the
8 candidate or committee has not yet filed a report.

9 SECTION 3. (a) Section 254.0401(b), Election Code, is
10 repealed.

11 (b) Effective January 1, 2014, Section 176.009(b), Local
12 Government Code, is repealed.

13 SECTION 4. Section 254.0401, Election Code, as amended by
14 this Act, and Section 176.009, Local Government Code, as amended by
15 this Act, apply only to a report of political contributions and
16 expenditures that is required to be filed under Chapter 254,
17 Election Code, on or after January 1, 2014.

18 SECTION 5. Except as otherwise provided by this Act, this
19 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

ADOPTED

MAY 22 2013

Atty. Gen.
Secretary of the Senate

By: *Patricia VandePutte*

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Substitute the following for H.B. No. 195:

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**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD
Austin, Texas**

FISCAL NOTE, 83RD LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 23, 2013

TO: Honorable Joe Straus, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB195 by Farias (Relating to the availability on the Internet of reports of political expenditures and contributions filed in connection with certain county and municipal offices.), **As Passed 2nd House**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

Based on the applicability criteria, the provisions of the bill would apply only to counties with a population of 800,000 or more and municipalities with a population of 500,000 or more.

The bill would repeal Section 254.0401 (b) of the Election Code. Effective January 1, 2014, the bill would repeal Section 176.009 (b) of the Local Government Code.

Local Government Impact

Because the bill would not have statewide impact on units of local government of the same type or class, no comment from this office is required by the rules of the House/Senate as to its probable fiscal implication on units of local government.

Source Agencies: 356 Texas Ethics Commission

LBB Staff: UP, SD, AG, KJo, TP, KKR

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD
Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE, 83RD LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 17, 2013

TO: Honorable Robert Duncan, Chair, Senate Committee on State Affairs

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB195 by Farias (Relating to the availability on the Internet of reports of political expenditures and contributions filed in connection with certain county and municipal offices.), **Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted**

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FISCAL NOTE, 83RD LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

April 19, 2013

TO: Honorable Robert Duncan, Chair, Senate Committee on State Affairs

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: **HB195** by Farias (Relating to the availability on the Internet of reports of political expenditures and contributions filed in connection with certain county and municipal offices.), **As Engrossed**

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FISCAL NOTE, 83RD LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

February 26, 2013

TO: Honorable Geanie Morrison, Chair, House Committee On Elections

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB195 by Farias (relating to the availability on the Internet of reports of political expenditures and contributions filed in connection with certain county and municipal offices.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

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Austin, Texas**

FISCAL NOTE, 83RD LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

February 22, 2013

TO: Honorable Geanie Morrison, Chair, House Committee On Elections

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB195 by Farias (Relating to the availability on the Internet of reports of political expenditures and contributions filed in connection with certain county and municipal offices.), **As Introduced**

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